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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Figure 1 describes the operation diagram of a wristwatch 1 according to the invention. The watch is provided with a movement for digital watches, comprised of a quartz oscillator 10 supplying an electric signal of constant frequency, used as time base 12 for a microprocessor 21 whose working rate is rigorously synchronous to the time base 12. A permanent memory 22 in ROM or FLASH-RAM technology stores a program for the microprocessor 21 comprising a software for counting the pulses from the time base, computing the time and date and displaying them on an alphanumeric LCD 50, consisting of two lines 1, 52 of six alphanumeric characters each, as is more clearly visible in Figure 2a. The microprocessor 21 executing the program stored in the memory 22 is thus a control means for keeping and displaying the current time on the digital display 50.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The diagram described in Figure 1 is only given as an indication and does not constitute a limitation of the invention, which also comprises equivalent devices in which all or certain of the functions are implemented by other <u>control</u> means, for example a dedicated logic integrated circuit ASIC (Application-Specific Integrated Circuit) or a programmable logic integrated circuit FPGA (Field Programmable Gate Array) or any other equivalent.

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This example should also not be interpreted in the sense that a watch according to the invention is limited to a display constituted exclusively of the two aforementioned lines of alphanumeric characters. On the contrary, the invention also includes watches whose display can also display other than non-alphanumerical symbols graphical symbols.